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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: L. Dewi, et al. Group Art Unit: To be assigned  
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Title: Iodine-Containing Radioactive Sources

**Statement By Depositor When Express Mail Has Been Refused by USPS**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box: Filing Date  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Due to the recent emergency, the United States Postal Service has refused to accept the package having Express Mail Label Number EV037577159US. Since the United States Patent and Trademark Office has designated this interruption in the Express Mail service of the United States Postal Service as a postal service interruption within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. 21(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.6(e), the depositor is submitting this statement as required.

1. I am the paralegal for the Intellectual Property Department of Amersham Biosciences. As part of my duties, I am responsible for depositing Express Mail envelopes with the United States Postal Service.
2. On Wednesday, November 21, 2001, I attempted to deposit the enclosed Express Mail envelope having Express Mail Label Number EV037577159US with the United States Post Office located at 3 Skiles Avenue, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854.

*Receipt date granted  
is 11/21/01.  
J. Chang  
from OPLA*

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3. The window clerk advised me that Express Mail packages addressed to any address in Washington, D.C. were not being accepted, and the package was refused.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the above foregoing statements of fact are true and correct or, if made on the basis of my opinion, are believed to be true and correct.

Executed on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2001

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